5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 13, 2025 - 9:00 am





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"Preach. Teach. Reach."

Prelude

WELCOME

Please rise.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Merciful God,
- C you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.
- P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- C Amen.



GATHERING SONG



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GREETING

- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Р Spirit be with you all.
- And also with you. С



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

C O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Moses calls the people who are about to enter the promised land to renew the covenant God made with their ancestors. Through this covenant God gives life and asks for obedience. God's commandment is neither burdensome nor too far off, but dwells in the people's hearts.

- R ⁹ The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰ when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹ Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹² It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 25:1-10

- R ¹ To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- C ² My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- R ³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
- C ⁴ Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.
- R ⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- **C** ⁶ Remember, **O** LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.
- R ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- C ⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.
- R ⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.
- C ¹⁰ All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

SECOND READING

The letter to the Colossians was written to warn its readers of various false teachings. The first part of the letter is an expression of thanks for the faith, hope, and love that mark this community, including a prayer for strength and courage.

- ¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ² To the R saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷ This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf,⁸ and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
- R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please rise.



- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.
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GOSPEL

Jesus is challenged to explain what is involved in obeying the greatest commandment. He tells a parable rich in surprises: those expected to show pity display hard hearts while the lowly give and receive unexpected and lavish mercy.

- ²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit Р eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Bryan Lagerstam

Please rise.



Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love



THE CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

R Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Prosper the harvests of fruit-bearing bushes, trees, and plants. Uphold farmers and farm workers as they labor through summer days, and bring relief to lands that are parched with heat. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Instill in leaders of the world a strong love for their neighbors. Compel them to govern with equity and to give aid and protection to people who are vulnerable, especially strangers, migrants, and asylum seekers. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

R Go with all who travel, and protect them from harm. Put in their paths people who offer aid. We pray especially for the safety of first responders. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

 P Draw near to people in need of help, comfort, and healing, especially Lisa Thompson, Mark Gehrke, Marie McCoy, Tim Lothe, Bill Schmidt, Pat McCallum, Mary Brantmeyer, Dennis Steward, Brittany Miller, Kim Sprecher, Dwayne Schultz, Chris McFarlin, Paul Fritz, Diane Wendt, Tom Finhert, and all those we name upon our lips or in our hearts. Provide protection and aid to children who are unsafe and undernourished while on summer break. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

P We give you thanks for all who have gone before us and have made your love known. Help us to follow their witness as we await our share in the inheritance of the saints. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- P Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you. (*Greet one another with God's peace.*)

Please rise.

The Great Thanksgiving

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Communion Distribution & Hymns



LAMB OF GOD



Text: George Croly, 1780–1860 Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–189

Please rise.

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- Р The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.
- С Amen.

SENDING SONG



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY: Thank you for joining us at Burke for worship and fellowship! Please sign a card in the pew and/or the visitor book in the narthex.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We teach that Jesus is truly present in the bread and the wine. All are invited to the table to share God's grace. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who desire it, as well as gluten-free wafers.

> Please fill out a communion card and place it in the offering plate if you are communing today.

OUR STAFF

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PRAYERS & CARES

A Nursery (Youth Room) for children under six is located down the hallway near the church offices. Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children at worship.

Our Prayer List: Contact the church office with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Lisa Thompson Marie McCoy Bill Schmidt Mary Brantmeyer Kim Sprecher Paul Fritz Tom Finhert Mark Gehrke Tim Lothe Pat McCallum Brittany Miller Chris McFarlin Diane Wendt

Congregational Opportunities

QUILTING: Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 9:00am for June, July, and August. BAND PRACTICE: Will be on hiatus for the summer. BIBLE STUDY: Will be on hiatus for the summer. JAM: Will be on hiatus for the summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Tuesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net or drop them off at the office.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

A bracelet has been found in the church driveway. If you think it might be yours or someone's you know, please see Pastor Bryan or Laura.

On June 26, 2025, Andy Benson, a friend of the congregation died unexpectedly. He helped with the remodeling of the sanctuary following the move, carving the fourth pillar in the front himself and refused to accept payment for his work.

As a congregation, we would like to send a financial gift to Andy's widow. Any donations can be made out to the church and noted as a memorial for Andy Benson. These will be collected over the next few weeks, with the goal of sending our condolences on August 1.

CALL TO ACTION

July Food Pantry Focus: July focus is: "Fruits," such as canned fruit, fruit leather, juice boxes, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

Birthday Bags for River Food Pantry.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.

Light of Life & Sunday Bulletin Articles

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

- 1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
- 2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or
- 3. Turn it into the church office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesdays

LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month

THIS WEEK AT BURKE

Tuesday, July 15		Foundation Board, 7:00pm	
weaterstay, 5419 10	Quilting, 9:00am BLCW Meeting, 10:00am BLCW Lunch, 11:30am		
Wednesday, July 16 - Wednesday, July 30	Pastor Bryan on Vacation		
Sunday, July 20	Worship, 9:00am		

WORSHIP LEADERS

	July 13 - 9:00am Service	July 20 - 9:00am Service	
Organist/Pianist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	
Music Leaders	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	
Communion Assistant	Sharon Hughes	David Hanson	
Communion Prep	Jeannette Gehrke	Gloria Lundquist	
Lay Reader	Julie Clark	Sharon Hughes	
Usher Team	Steve & Donna Frederick	Roger Kittleson Rick Brandon	
Coffee Hour	Donuts	Donuts	
Counters	Gloria Lundquist Deb Brown	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday 9:0	0am	Total	39
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WORSHIP SERVICE AT NORWAY GROVE MEMORIAL 820 River Road, Deforest, WI July 27, 2025

Please join us for Worship and Fellowship at Norway Grove Memorial on Sunday, July 27th.

Worship: 9:00am - 10:00am (Fellowship to follow service.) (No service at Burke Lutheran Church on July 27.)

Directions:

Starting from Burke Lutheran Church:

- Turn right to go North on Portage Rd.
- Turn left onto Hoepker Rd.
- Turn right onto US-51N
- Merge right onto I-39N
- Take exit 126
- Turn right onto County Rd V
- Turn right onto River Rd.
- Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church is on the right.